

## LOCAL NEWS.

Gov. Peirpoint will immediately proceed to Richmond, and assume executive control of the State. It may be added, that everything is becoming quite peaceful throughout Virginia, and all the citizens, and late soldiers, are taking the oath of allegiance voluntarily or whenever it is required or requested, and all matters gradually coming back, "in statu quo ante bellum," as our old friend, Deacon Cawood, used to say.

The representatives of the various coal companies in Alleghany county, Md., held a consultation at Cumberland, on Saturday, relative to the rapid and heavy decline of prices for coal in the Eastern cities, and a temporary suspension of operations was determined on. The B. & O. R. R. Company, however, having since reduced the rates for the transportation of coal, it is probable that the miners will at once be put to work again.

The advance of General Meade's army is reported to have reached Belle Plain, near Fredericksburg, Va., last Wednesday, on their homeward march. The Army of the Shenandoah, it is stated, is rendezvousing at Winchester, preparatory to marching to Washington.

Yesterday afternoon, about 6 o'clock, a violent storm of lightning, thunder, and rain, accompanied with hail, came upon us from the South West. The hail was soon over, but the vivid lightning, and loud thunder, and heavy rain, continued far into the night.

The trial of Chas. Binns, for the murder of Robert Porter, has occupied the Fairfax Circuit Court for two days past. The verdict of the jury was, guilty of manslaughter, and confinement in the penitentiary for one year.

About fifty negroes yesterday tore down a frame house, near the Park Hotel, in Washington, built and owned by Messrs. Engle and Lewis. A large number of the darkies were arrested.

The steamer New World, which has been lying off this place for some time past, was sent down to Point Lookout, for use as a hospital boat, and on Wednesday, went ashore at Smith's Inlet. Efforts were making to get her off.

Since the storm of last evening, the weather has turned quite cool. There must have been a considerable fall of hail in this neighborhood. Some of the hailstones that fell here were of large size.

The Market is quite bare of fresh fish; but few shad or herring have been brought up from the landings in the last two days.

Samuel Sherwood, an old and respected citizen of Washington, died in that city yesterday.

Among our former citizens who have recently returned to this place, are Messrs John S. Barbour, Vandegrift, Brewis, and others.

The Town Clock has been out of order today—caused, probably, by the storm last evening.

Wood for fuel is scarce and high; but little coming in from the country.

In an article on Finances, the National Intelligencer says:—"Gold has fallen below a hundred and thirty, and nothing is likely to occur very soon that will enhance its price. Gold is not in demand either for exchange or currency, or for Government use. It is noted that nearly all articles of consumption are on the decline; cotton and dry goods are an exception; cotton had declined to a rate which its supply would not warrant, and it has risen, together with all cotton goods, and, of course, every description of dry goods. The fall of prices generally will be accelerated by the cessation or reduction of the demand for Government use, in the army, navy, &c. The price of labor and products in all branches of production will fall on account of the number of hands which will be restored to agriculture and manufacture."

The Methodist Protestant General Conference, at Georgetown, previous to adjournment, passed a resolution, "that it was unnecessary, in view of the articles of Religion, adopted and adhered to by that church, it was unnecessary to make any further declaration of principles; but in view of the condition of the country at this time, and our duty at all times, exhort the ministers of the Methodist Protestant Church not only to "submit to the powers that be," but most earnestly to pray for those in authority that they may be "ministers of good," and that we and all our fellow-citizens may be enabled to "live quiet and peaceable lives in all Godliness and honesty."

Under the new dispensation which gives to the slave population their freedom, and strikes them from the list of "all other persons," the effect will be to add to the electoral basis of the South two-fifths of the slaves. The representations of the South will, therefore, be larger than ever, unless a constitutional amendment be adopted, apportioning representatives among the several States according to the respective number of citizens having the qualifications requisite for electing the members of the most numerous branch of the respective State Legislatures.

Gold, in New York, to-day, 132½.

FOR HOUSE OF DELEGATES.—REUBEN JOHNSTON will be supported by his friends for re-election to the House of Delegates. His firm and consistent course hitherto demands, for the public interest, a renewal of the trust hitherto reposed in him.  
MANY FRIENDS AND VOTERS.  
my 11—td

## CORPORATION STOCK.

FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS Stock of the Corporation of Alexandria, for sale. Also, one hundred and twenty dollars Dividends of Interest, due on the same which will be sold together or separately.  
Apply at MILLER'S China Store, No 67, King street.  
my 11—eo3t\*

## FOR RENT.

A first rate GROCERY STAND, with good will and fixtures, situated in a business part of the city. Enquire at this office.  
ap 6—tf

EDGAR SNOWDEN SR'S OFFICE, corner of King and Royal streets, over Mr. Owings's Store, where he will receive subscriptions and advertisements for the ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE. Persons having business with the office, can transact it with him.  
ap 27—lawtf

## HOOFSKIRT FACTORY.

No. 316, King Street.

WE also alter Hoopskirts into any shape

## GRAND SELECT BALL

OF THE

FRIENDSHIP FIRE COMPANY, NO. 1.

A GRAND MAY BALL will be given by the Friendship Fire Company, at the Assembly Rooms, on

Thursday Evening, May 18.

The Committee pledge themselves that no pains nor expense shall be spared, to make this the

## GRAND EXCELSIOR BALL

of the season. The following gentlemen have kindly volunteered their services for the occasion:

### COMMITTEE.

FROM FRIENDSHIP FIRE CO.	FIRE DEPARTMENT
Jno. Powell, J. T. Clark, R. F. Tatsapangh, Chief Eng.	
H. C. Martin, E. Clarksen, STATE GOVERNMENT.	
C. C. Beach, J. T. Harrison, Col. D. F. Dulany,	
R. Tomlinson, Geo. Young, MILITARY.	
Chas. Glover, C. Chichester, Captain Dunn,	
SUN FIRE CO.	CITIZENS.
Thos Mitchell, Jno. Padgett, Jr. J. B. Green, R. M. McGuire,	
STEAM FIRE DEPARTMENT,	
Jos. Young, No. 1, E. C. Adams, No. 2.	

CLUBS.  
H. Y. M. CLUB, Walter Graves, W. H. H. Price, R. Portner, M. Brennan,  
MOUNT VERNON CLUB, OSCOLA CLUB,  
Z. O. Davis, J. Hornbacher, M. Mitchell, W. Harper.  
CARDS OF ADMISSION TWO DOLLARS. To be obtained of the Committee.

Firemen are requested to appear in uniform; Clubs with their respective badges. The floor managers will be known by white rosettes; the Committee by blue rosettes. Carriages will start at 7½ o'clock.

Prof. F. Scala's Celebrated U. S. MARINE BAND, has been engaged for the occasion.  
my 11—1w

JOSEPH PAUL, has this day become a partner in my business, which will henceforth be conducted in the name of Gregory & Paul.  
S. F. GREGORY.  
my 1—1m

## GREGORY & PAUL,

WHOLESALE DEALERS IN

GROCERIES, FLOUR AND BACON.

Nos. 27 and 29, King street,  
ALEXANDRIA, VA.  
my 1—3m

## JOHN T. CREIGHTON & SON,

NO. 88 KING STREET,  
ALEXANDRIA, VA.

Offer for sale at their old stand, a large stock of HARDWARE, OUTLERY, HOUSE-KEEPER'S GOODS, WATER COOLERS, TOILET SETS, Slop Pails and Buckets, Bird Cages, Feather Dusters, Brushes, Brooms, Ploughs, Plough Castings, Lines, Scythes, Snaths, Stones, Garden Tools, Doors, Blinds, Sash, Cement, Nails, also a general assortment of Fancy Shaving and Toilet Soaps, Fishing Tackle, &c., for sale at lowest prices.  
Terms Cash on Delivery.

Expected in a few days a supply of best quality of FENCING WIRE.  
my 10—dlm 88 King, corner of Royal st.

OFFICE OF THE GREAT FALLS }  
MANUFACTURING COMPANY, }  
WASHINGTON, March 13, 1865.

THE SALE OF STOCK FOR UNPAID assessment of \$1 per share, as ordered and published, of 23d February, 1863, and suspended by the Board of Directors until further order, will be resumed on Thursday, the 20th of April next, at 3 o'clock P. M., at the office of the Company, west basement City Hall.

By order of the Board,  
JOHN CARROLL BRENT, Secretary.  
The above sale is postponed until Saturday, 20th May next, same hour and place.  
ap 15—eo2my20

NOTICE.—The subscribers having taken out letters testamentary on the will of JAMES ROACH, late of Alexandria county, Va., dec'd., all persons indebted to his estate will please make payment to them, and all persons having claims against it will please present them, duly authenticated.  
April 3, 1865.

MARY C. ROACH, Executrix and  
JAMES ROACH, Executor of Jas.  
Roach, deceased.  
ap 13—eo1m

## FOR RENT.

The THREE STORY BRICK DWELLING, on the corner of Pitt and Cameron streets, containing thirteen rooms, with gas and water fixtures, bath room, &c. Possession given early in June.